

Bee City USA Annual Report Pollinator Conservation & Education 2019



Mountain Home, Idaho

EDUCATION & OUTREACH



(Left to Right), Tiffany, Darcy, Brad and Betsy with the Mountain Home Coloring Contest Winners, local honey was used as the prize.



(Left to Right), Betsy and Brad (UI Extension) show off bee educational material alongside a wildflower mix that was given to the public during Arbor Day in Mountain Home, ID.



Educational material, insect displays (bees) and a pollinator focused fruit salad (yogurt/honey dressing) on display for the public.

- Pollinator Appreciation Day (2nd Annual) June 22nd, 2019
- Arbor/Earth Day April 23rd, 2019, Bee City USA Coloring Contest May 6th, 2019

POLLINATOR HEALTH & HABITAT





Pollinator Garden (Local Community Garden), handed out wildflower seed mixes and milkweed plants for Arbor Day

POLICIES & PRACTICES

RESOLUTION NO. 30-18

A RESOLUTION of the City of Mountain Home, Idaho concerning pollinator protection policy (bees, butterflies, flies, beetles and other pollinating insects).

Mountain Home, Idaho Pollinator Protection Policy

WHEREAS, the loss of pollinators is alarmingly high, with honey bee colonies experiencing significant annual losses, and with populations of native bees and other pollinators also in decline; and

WHEREAS, these declines are driven by a number of factors including habitat loss, pesticide exposure, lack of forage; and

WHEREAS, populations of pollinators can be supported and enhanced by increasing native habitat that is protected from pesticide contamination; and

WHEREAS, threats to pollinators concern the entire food system, where pollination services provided by honey bees and other essential pollinators account for one in every three bites of food and are valued at \$20 to \$30 billion in agricultural production annually in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the use of neonicotinoids, the most widely used class of insecticides, is

Recommended Locally Native Plant Species List — N/A

Regional Native Plant Supplier List — N/A

Pollinator Friendly Integrated Pest Management Plan — N/A

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